

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A method of wrapping an item, comprising:
providing a decorative wrapper comprising:
a sheet of material having a first edge, a second edge, a first side, a second side, an upper surface, a lower surface, and a width comprising the maximum distance between the first edge and the second edge; and
an extension constructed of a second sheet of material and having a first edge, a second edge, a first side, a second side, and a width comprising the maximum distance between the first edge of the extension and the second edge of the extension, and the extension having a decorative pattern or decorative effect, and wherein the width of the extension is substantially less than the width of the sheet of material, and wherein the extension comprises a facing portion which is superposed upon the upper surface of the sheet of material; and
wherein the extension is attached via a seal to the upper surface of the sheet of material along only a portion of the facing portion of the extension whereby a majority of the facing portion of the extension is left unattached to the upper surface of the sheet of material and wherein the first edge of the extension is completely unattached to the sheet of material, wherein the first edge of the extension is below or substantially flush with the first edge of the

first sheet of material, and wherein the first side of the extension is adjacent to the first side of the sheet of material and the second side of the extension is adjacent to the second side of the sheet of material, and wherein the extension extends separately from the sheet of material; and

disposing the decorative wrapper about an item to form a decorative cover about the item, the decorative cover having a skirt having a first upper peripheral edge comprising the first edge of the sheet of material and a separate second upper peripheral edge comprising the first edge of the extension such that the decorative cover has an appearance of being constructed of two separate sheets of material.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper the first edge of the extension is straight.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper the first edge of the extension has a non-linear, irregular, geometric, or biomorphic shape.

4. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper the first edge of the sheet of material is straight.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper the first edge of the sheet of material has a non-linear, irregular, geometric, or biomorphic shape.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper the width of the extension is between 2% and 35% of the width of the sheet of material.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper the seal connecting the extension and the sheet of material comprises one or more discrete areas of connection.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper the seal connecting the extension and the sheet of material comprises a strip extending substantially entirely between the first side and the second side of the sheet of material.

9. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper, the decorative wrapper further comprises at least one additional extension which overlaps the first-mentioned extension and is sealed to at least one of the sheet of material and the first-mentioned extension and wherein the at least one additional extension has a width which is substantially less than the width of the sheet of material and wherein the at least one additional extension has a first edge which forms an additional upper peripheral edge in the skirt of the decorative cover.

10. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper, the decorative wrapper further comprises an adhesive bonding material or non-slip material disposed upon a portion thereof.

11. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper the sheet of material is constructed of an opaque material wherein the seal between the sheet of material and the extension is not visible through the lower surface of the sheet of material.

12. (Original) The method of claim 1 comprising the additional step of securing the decorative wrapper about the item via a securing element.

13. (Original) The method of claim 12 wherein in the step of securing the decorative wrapper about the item, the securing element is selected from the group consisting of rubber bands, elastic bands, non-elastic bands, string, ribbon, wire, plastic, shrink films, collars, sleeves, tape, labels, sribbon, stretch film, metal strips, overpots, jardiniere overpots, preformed floral covers, adhesive or cohesive materials, barbs, slots, pins, clips, staples, springs, magnets, heat seals, chemical seals, or vibratory seals.

14. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of disposing the decorative wrapper about an item, the item is a potted plant.

15. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of disposing the decorative wrapper about an item, the item is a floral grouping.

16. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of disposing the decorative wrapper about an item, the item is a basket.

17. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of disposing the decorative wrapper about an item, the item is a gift item.

18. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein in the step of disposing the decorative wrapper about an item, the item comprises candy, nuts, fruit, vegetables, bulbs, or comestibles.

19. (Withdrawn) A method of wrapping an item, comprising:
providing a decorative wrapper, comprising:

a sheet of material having a first edge, a second edge, a first side, a second side, an upper surface, a lower surface, and a width comprising the maximum distance between the first edge and the second edge; and

an extension constructed of a second sheet of material and having a first edge, a second edge, a first side, a second side, and a width comprising the maximum distance between the first edge of the extension and the second edge of the extension, and the extension having a decorative pattern or decorative effect, and wherein the width of the extension is substantially less than the width of the sheet of material, and wherein the extension comprises a facing portion which is superposed upon the upper surface of the sheet of material; and

wherein the extension is substantially completely attached via a seal to the upper surface of the sheet of material along substantially the entire facing portion of the extension, and wherein the first edge of the extension is below or substantially flush with first edge of the first sheet of material, and wherein the first side of the extension is adjacent to the first side of the sheet of material and the second side of the extension is adjacent to the second side of the sheet of material; and disposing the decorative wrapper about an item to form a decorative cover about the item, the decorative cover having a skirt and having the appearance of being constructed of at least two separate sheets of material.

20. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper the first edge of the extension is straight.

21. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper the first edge of the extension has a non-linear, irregular, geometric, or biomorphic shape.

22. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper the first edge of the sheet of material is straight.

23. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper the first edge of the sheet of material has a non-linear, irregular, geometric, or biomorphic shape.

24. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper the width of the extension is between 2% and 35% of the width of the sheet of material.

25. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper, the decorative wrapper further comprises at least one additional extension which overlaps the first-mentioned extension and is sealed to at least one of the sheet of material and the first-mentioned extension and wherein the at least one additional extension has a width which is substantially less than the width of the sheet of material.

26. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper, the decorative wrapper further comprises an adhesive bonding material or non-slip material disposed upon a portion thereof.

27. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein in the step of providing a decorative wrapper the sheet of material is constructed of an opaque material wherein the seal between the sheet of material and the extension is not visible through the lower surface of the sheet of material.

28. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 comprising the additional step of securing the decorative wrapper about the item via a securing element.

29. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 28 wherein in the step of securing the decorative wrapper about the item, the securing element is selected from the group consisting of rubber bands, elastic bands, non-elastic bands, string, ribbon, wire, plastic, shrink films, collars, sleeves, tape, labels, sribbon, stretch film, metal strips, overpots, jardiniere overpots, preformed floral covers, adhesive or cohesive materials, barbs, slots, pins, clips, staples, springs, magnets, heat seals, chemical seals, or vibratory seals.

30. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein in the step of disposing the decorative wrapper about an item, the item is a potted plant.

31. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein in the step of disposing the decorative wrapper about an item, the item is a floral grouping.

32. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein in the step of disposing the decorative wrapper about an item, the item is a basket.

33. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein in the step of disposing the decorative wrapper about an item, the item is a gift item.

34. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein in the step of disposing the decorative wrapper about an item, the item comprises candy, nuts, fruit, vegetables, bulbs, or comestibles.

35. (Original) A method of providing a decorative cover for an item, comprising:

providing a decorative wrapper comprising:

a sheet of material having a first edge, a second edge, a first side, a second side, an upper surface, a lower surface, and a width comprising the maximum distance between the first edge and the second edge; and

an extension constructed of a second sheet of material and having a first edge, a second edge, a first side, a second side, and a width comprising the maximum distance between the first edge of the extension and the second edge of the extension, and the extension having a decorative pattern or decorative effect, and wherein the width of the extension is substantially less than the width of the sheet of material, and wherein the extension comprises a facing portion which is superposed upon the upper surface of the sheet of material; and

wherein the extension is attached via a seal to the upper surface of the sheet of material along only a portion of the facing portion of the extension whereby a majority of the facing portion of the extension is left unattached to the upper surface of the sheet of material and wherein the first edge of the extension is completely unattached to the sheet of material, wherein the first edge of the extension is below or substantially flush with the first edge of the first sheet of material, and wherein the first side of the

extension is adjacent to the first side of the sheet of material and the second side of the extension is adjacent to the second side of the sheet of material, and wherein the extension extends separately from the sheet of material such that when the decorative wrapper is formed about a flower pot to form a decorative cover, the decorative cover has a skirt having a first upper peripheral edge comprising the first edge of the sheet of material and a separate second upper peripheral edge comprising the first edge of the extension such that the decorative cover has an appearance of being constructed of two separate sheets of material; and

selling and delivering the decorative wrapper to a producer or seller of items for producing a decoratively covered item by the producer or seller, wherein the decoratively covered item is capable of being produced by wrapping a single decorative wrapper about the item and securing the single decorative wrapper in place about the item via a securing element thereby providing the decorative cover about the item and wherein the decoratively covered item able to be so produced has an appearance of an item wrapped by at least two separate sheets of material.

36. (Original) The method of claim 35 wherein the item about which the decorative wrapper may be fund is a potted plant.

37. (Original) The method of claim 35 wherein the item about which the decorative wrapper may be found is a floral grouping.

38. (Original) The method of claim 35 wherein the item about which the decorative wrapper may be formed is a basket.

39. (Original) The method of claim 35 wherein the item about which the decorative wrapper may be formed is a gift item.

40. (Original) The method of claim 35 wherein the item about which the decorative wrapper may be formed comprises candy, fruit, nuts, vegetables, bulbs, or comestibles.

41. (Original) The method of claim 35 wherein in the step of selling and delivering the decorative wrapper, the securing element is selected from the group consisting of rubber bands, elastic bands, non-elastic bands, string, ribbon, wire, plastic, shrink films, collars, sleeves, tape, labels, sribbon, stretch film, metal strips, overpots, jardiniere overpots, preformed floral covers, adhesive or cohesive materials, barbs, slots, pins, clips, staples, springs, magnets, heat seals, chemical seals, or vibratory seals.

42. (Withdrawn) A method of providing a decorative cover for an item, comprising:

providing a decorative wrapper comprising:

a sheet of material having a first edge, a second edge, a first side, a second side, an upper surface, a lower surface,

and a width comprising the maximum distance between the first edge and the second edge; and

an extension constructed of a second sheet of material and having a first edge, a second edge, a first side, a second side, and a width comprising the maximum distance between the first edge of the extension and the second edge of the extension, and the extension having a decorative pattern or decorative effect, and wherein the width of the extension is substantially less than the width of the sheet of material, and wherein the extension comprises a facing portion which is superposed upon the upper surface of the sheet of material; and

wherein the extension is substantially completely attached via a seal to the upper surface of the sheet of material along substantially the entire facing portion of the extension , and wherein the first edge of the extension is below or substantially flush with first edge of the first sheet of material, and wherein the first side of the extension is adjacent to the first side of the sheet of material and the second side of the extension is adjacent to the second side of the sheet of material, and wherein when the decorative wrapper is formed about a flower pot to form a decorative cover, the decorative cover has a skirt and has the appearance of being constructed of at least two separate sheets of material; and

selling and delivering the decorative wrapper to a producer or

seller of items for producing a decoratively covered item by the producer or seller, wherein the decoratively covered item is capable of being produced by wrapping a single decorative wrapper about the item and securing the single decorative wrapper in place about the item via a securing element thereby providing the decorative cover about the item and wherein the decoratively covered item able to be so produced has an appearance of an item wrapped by at least two separate sheets of material.

43. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 42 wherein the item about which the decorative wrapper may be found is a potted plant.

44. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 42 wherein the item about which the decorative wrapper may be found is a floral grouping.

45. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 42 wherein the item about which the decorative wrapper may be formed is a basket.

46. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 42 wherein the item about which the decorative wrapper may be formed is a gift item.

47. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 42 wherein the item about which the decorative wrapper may be formed comprises candy, fruit, nuts, vegetables, bulbs, or comestibles.

48. (Original) The method of claim 42 wherein in the step of selling and delivering the decorative wrapper, the securing element is selected from the group consisting of rubber bands, elastic bands, non-elastic bands, string, ribbon, wire, plastic, shrink films, collars, sleeves, tape, labels, ribbon, stretch film, metal strips, overpots, jardiniere overpots, preformed floral covers, adhesive or cohesive materials, barbs, slots, pins, clips, staples, springs, magnets, heat seals, chemical seals, or vibratory seals.